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Flood threat low, says Parks Canada

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

There is still plenty of water storage space in the feeder and flow-through lakes above Minden, says Parks Canada, meaning the threat of flood in the village is currently low.

Haliburton County received more snowfall this winter than last, with that snowfall being about average for the area.

Following some periods of early thawing, water levels on the feeder lakes in Haliburton County were above average on March 7.

"Water levels in the Haliburton County feeder lakes are currently above average which is not surprising given the early melt we have seen," reads an email from Karen Feeley, a communications officer with the Ontario Waterways Unit of Parks Canada. "Prior to that, water levels were about average," Feeley wrote. "Water levels were lower than normal heading into the winter after the dry fall."

Parks Canada operates the Trent-Severn Waterway, with some of the county's lakes part of the system that feeds the Trent-Severn Canal between Trenton and Port Severn.

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Checkmate

Chess players Deagan Davison of Stuart Baker Elementary School and Jayla Bird of Archie Stouffer Elementary School, both Grade 2, examine their pieces during the Trillium Lakelands District School Board's Chess Championship at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton. There were 100 competitors at this regional competition for students from Grade 1 to Grade 8. The top two finishers advanced to compete at the provincial championships in April in Toronto.

DARREN LUM Staff

Minden minister Highlander of the Year

by ANGELICA INGRAM
Times Staff

Max Ward isn't a man of many words, but one who would rather let his volunteer work and love for the community show the true nature of his character.

On March 11, Ward was named Highlander of the Year at the 11th annual Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce Business

and Community Achievement Awards Gala. Ward was one of six nominees and was nominated for the second time.

Originally from outside of London, Ont., he moved to the Highlands 13 years ago to become the minister at Minden United Church, Maple Lake Church and Zion United in Carnarvon.

He has spent the past number of years involved with housing organization Places for

People, the Minden Food Bank and is a mason with the Arcadia Lodge in Minden.

He said his community involvement is a way for him to demonstrate his faith.

"I like to tell people it's me living out my faith and this is how I'm trying to do it. I'm trying my best," he said.

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Above, Minden Hills Reeve and County Warden Brent Devolin chose the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association to receive the Warden's Award. Left, Max Ward, right, was named Highlander of the Year for his volunteerism. /SARAH BELL Special to the Times

Ward's work an act of his faith

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Prior to being named Highlander of the Year, Ward said he felt nervous and then surprised.

"There were so many other wonderful nominees," he said.

He credits his wife and kids for their support in helping him achieve the recognition.

"If it wasn't for the support of my family I wouldn't be standing up here," he said.

The evening gala held at Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre was about recognizing many of the achievements in the community and celebrating businesses.

The sold out event was a testament to the economic community in the Highlands, said chamber president Jerry Walker.

"Business is alive and well in the county," he said during his opening remarks.

This year there were 95 nominees up for 10 awards, along with the Warden's Award, which is selected by the warden each year.

The winner of the Business Achievement Award was The

Pump Shop, who were nominated for a remarkable 30 years in business, led by original founders Wade and Jane Woodward.

"Find a need – fill a need. And that's just what Wade and Jane Woodward have accomplished," read Kyle Brewer when presenting the award. "Their mantra is that everyone should have reliable access to the water they need. So if it's about water, there is no doubt The Pump Shop can help. They install it, pump it, repair it, soften it, purify it, test it and even help you to enjoy it in one of their hot tubs."

The Customer First – Business Award, which had more than 20 nominees, was won by Wintergreen Maple Products and Pancake Barn, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year.

Located in Gelert, the business, which includes a 120 acre sugarbush, restaurant, retail store, catering and event centre, also hosts charity events and has become a family favourite destination.

"Families enjoy the pancake weekends as a time to reconnect and enjoy delicious local food along with warm greetings from the Dawson family," read Donna Enright as she announced the winner.

The Customer First – Employee Award honoured all the nominees by naming everyone a winner.

"The ladies and gentlemen on this stage represent exceptional customer service in the Haliburton Highlands," said Walker. "Without your dedication and hard work, our businesses would not shine the way they do."

Walker announced that the chamber will soon be launching

a countywide online campaign for people to nominate employees all year long.

Entrepreneur of the Year was awarded to Mike McFadden, owner/operator of McFadden's Meat Market, a butcher shop in Haliburton.

"His enthusiasm and passion towards his business is evident. His vision of having an open concept cutting room in the butcher shop is very unique," said Wayne Lavery of Patient News. "McFadden's Meat Market is certainly a positive addition to our community."

The category of Innovation and Creativity was awarded to The Haliburton Real Estate Team, who put together two video series promoting the area and its businesses.

"They were innovative by capitalizing on a market with a pre-existing interest in the area and they were a successful extension of the promotional work being done not only by the county's tourism department, but also by everyone using the #MyHaliburtonHighlands brand," said Andy Campbell. "A community is better-positioned for success when its citizens collaborate to build on each other's assets and successes."

Highland Glass & Windows took home New Business of the Year, with new owner Peter Zahn accepting the award.

"The business has undertaken a complete makeover since changing ownership in April 2015. Substantial investments in the company including a revamped showroom, and new computer systems and software have helped the company better service their customers," read Peter Brady.

Not-for-Profit of the Year was awarded to Community Living, an organization focused on integrating those with developmental challenges into the community.

"They have taught our community to embrace those with challenges, to learn from them and with them, and for that we are truly thankful," said Nelly Ashworth. "Their recent move to the Victoria Street School has offered many more opportunities, and with the ongoing partnerships they are developing they continue to set a high standard for community excellence."

The Skilled Trades and Industry honour was won by Harcourt Park Marina, which strives to be a leader in their industry.

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Peck Street project costs more than anticipated

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The reconstruction of Peck Street in Minden will cost much more than Minden Hills township had budgeted for. The township received three bids on the project, which is total reconstruction of Peck Street, which runs between Bobcaygeon Road and Anson Street. While \$220,000 was budgeted for the work, the bids ranged between about \$370,000 and \$545,000. “A cost estimate from the consulting engineer on this project was significantly lower than the bids received,” reads a report from roads superintendent Travis Wilson. “A significant difference was found in the cost to place a check valve on the outlet storm sewer pipe. Engineer’s estimate was \$800, while the item bid by the contractors ranged from \$15,000 to \$25,000. The outlet pipe was designed as concrete due to the close location to the river; with this size of pipe, a headwall is required. The lowest bid received for the headwall was \$26,250. Grading of the project had many challenges for the designer, as

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It’s a mess. It’s been a mess for a long time.
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there was very little room for increasing the height of the road due to the surrounding businesses. This created an issue with height of cover over the proposed storm sewer system. The project was bid with an insulation detail over the entire storm sewer network. Staff believes this is an additional \$30,000 and believes there are sections of pipe that may not require the insulation, as indicated on the contract drawings.” “All of the contractors conveyed concern with the fluctuating water levels of the Gull River,” the report continues.

“Dewatering the site was a large increase in overall cost for the project.” The recommendation was to go with Royel Paving, which had the lowest bid at approximately \$370,000, and defer a number of other projects to make up the funding. These include vehicle upgrades, an upgrading of broadband Internet at Lutterworth, an engineering study on a gravel pit along Bobcaygeon Road and rehabilitation work on the boat launch at the foot of Peck Street. Including deferred projects, there will still be a funding gap of about \$20,000 on the project. The township’s roads reserves are getting low, forecast to be at about \$250,000 by the end of the year. “Roads reserves will be at about a quarter of a million dollars,” said treasurer and chief administrative officer Lorrie Blanchard. “And that doesn’t get you much these days.” Councillors agreed it was imperative to move ahead with the project, or at least as many parts of it as possible. “This is a mess,” said Reeve Brent Devolin. “It’s been a mess for a long time. It’s cost and benefits. I think we need to move forward with this as economically as we can.”

Three snowmobile crashes in two days in county

by ANGELICA INGRAM
Times Staff

Emergency responders were kept busy this past weekend as three separate snowmobile accidents occurred in the Haliburton Highlands. According to the OPP, on Friday, March 10, officers responded to a collision at Haliburton Forest, which involved a snowmobile hitting a tree. “The driver of the snowmobile lost control of the snowmobile and struck a tree. The driver was transported to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries,” a news release issued by the OPP says. Two separate collisions occurred on March 11 at Haliburton Forest, one resulting in serious injuries and the other in non-life-threatening injuries. “A driver of a snowmobile lost control of the snowmobile

he was driving and struck a tree,” the release says. The driver was taken to the hospital and then later airlifted to Toronto. OPP are investigating. The second incident on Saturday involved a snowmobiler losing control of his vehicle and being thrown from the machine. The driver was taken to hospital with non-life-threat-

ening injuries. OPP Const. Tim Negus confirmed that Ornge transported the two drivers from Saturday’s accidents to Toronto. “The conditions of the trails were reported to be slippery in places by those involved,” he said.

HCSA wins Warden’s Award

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“The team also demonstrates a continuing commitment to learning and improving through ongoing investments in education. This has been recently demonstrated by recognizing a need for skilled services as canvas top providers and repairers,” read Eddie Pinelli when reading out the award. The Tourism and Hospitality Award went to Bonnie View Inn, presented by Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt. “The Bonnie View has been instrumental in improving the allure of the Haliburton Highlands for tourists and residents,” said Moffatt. “It has been a landmark resort in the Highlands since 1924, located on Kashagawigamog Lake just eight minutes from Haliburton Village. The Bonnie View Inn promotes services and accommodations that they provide on site but they also have a large part of their website dedicated to things to do in the Highlands.” The Warden’s Award, presented by Warden Brent Devolin, was given to the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association for their hours of volunteer work over their 46 year existence. “They have had within their organization hundreds of volunteers,” said Devolin. “They have committed millions of dollars in terms of assets and labour in support of tourism in this county.” Ward was given the final award of the night, recognized for his contributions. “He is concerned about the real problem of hunger and poverty in the Haliburton Highlands and is committed to improving the quality of many families lives with food security, housing stability, and programs to educate and assist residents. Max Ward’s leadership, ideas, and determination will continue to make a positive difference to many residents’ lives, both those he serves and those who volunteer alongside him,” read award presenters John and Holly McDonald.



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Please note: Entries should be submitted by March 31st. Designs chosen will need to be painted in April and/or May at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre by the contributing artist.

For more information, contact Sue at festivalofbanners@outlook.com.

**NOTICE – PUBLIC MEETING PROPOSED
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Please take notice that the Council of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding a Public Meeting regarding a proposed change to its Fees and Charges By-law on March 30, 2017 commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street.

The proposed fee change will apply to “**Schedule H**” **Community Services Programs & Facilities** to establish a special hourly rental rate of \$31.25 for the use of the Minden Community Centre to facilitate Community Fitness Programs by outside providers.

For more information please contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services at mcoleman@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1936 ext. 201.

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Please take notice that the Council of the Township of Minden Hills, at their March 30, 2017 Council Meeting, will consider amendments to its Procedural By-law being a by-law to govern the calling, place and proceedings of Council and Committees meetings.

The meeting will commence at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, ON.

For more information please contact Dawn Newhook, Clerk at dnewhook@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 205.

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Artist centre shows work of local painters

by ANGELICA INGRAM
Times Staff

Emerging Haliburton County artists had a chance to shine this past weekend at the opening reception of the winter class exhibition at the Finn Artist Centre on March 11.

The reception showcased work completed by students who participated in an eight-week class over the past few months.

Each student was told to bring in a photograph they had taken themselves and recreate it using either acrylic paint or oils.

"This group of people are absolutely wonderful," said Carole Finn, owner/operator of the artist centre and the instructor of the class.

Finn said some of the students had never painted before.

A longtime community advocate for art, Finn said the aim of her centre is "to have a community of painters."

The winter class exhibit runs from now until April 2. The next exhibit, titled People In My Life, and featuring paintings by Finn, will open on May 9 and run until June 25.

For more information on classes visit www.carolefinnartist.com.



Marguerite Easby, left, and Susanne James enjoy a chat about art at the opening reception of the winter class exhibition at the Finn Artist Centre in Minden on March 11. The exhibit runs until April 2 and features a variety of work, including the piece created by James on the far right.

Lee Gauthier smiles at the opening reception at the Finn Artist Centre on March 11 in front of her painting Lago di Bagli.

ANGELICA INGRAM
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Wendy Minto, left, chats with Rick and Cathy Brewer.

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Ample storage in lakes north of Minden

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"As of today [March 7], there is still ample storage available above Minden and therefore the imminent threat of a flood is low," the email reads. "The current weather pattern which has seen brief periods of warmer weather and rain followed by a cold spell has been to our advantage."

The amount of water in the snowpack is about average for the time of year.

"Parks Canada measures snow water equivalent and depth weekly," Feeley wrote. "Last week the snow water equivalent was about normal for this time of year. Prior values were above normal but not record setting."

Minden sits in the flood plain of the Gull River, so there is always some flooding in the village during the springtime. The last severe flood was the catastrophic flood of 2013, which left large parts of Minden underwater and Minden Hills township in a state of emergency for three weeks.

Water was retained in the lakes north of Minden to prevent further flooding of the village, causing property damage on some of those lakes.

"Parks Canada remains committed to its water management responsibilities, including ongoing monitoring of water levels and flows year-round, and will continue to work with all relevant organizations to mitigate wherever possible against flooding and help prepare for future events," Feeley wrote.

Right, the Gull River in Minden as it appeared March 13. CHAD INGRAM Staff



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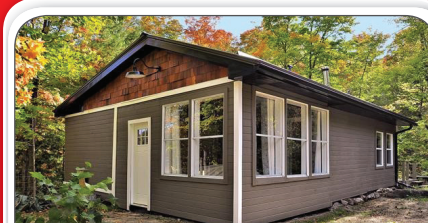
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Time to combine

WHEN MUNICIPAL elections take place next year, the year will be 2018.

While it might seem logical that municipalities would offer an online voting option in 2018, it's possible that Minden Hills may again be the only township in Haliburton County to do so.

Did I mention the year will be 2018? It's time for local councils to get on board with online voting and offer multiple electoral options.

In 2014, during the last round of municipal elections, Minden Hills became a pioneer in the county, introducing the options of Internet and telephone voting, alongside traditional paper ballot.

While there was some skepticism at first, as there generally is with change of any kind, the process was a success. Seventy-four per cent of voters in that election used the Internet or telephone, versus 26 per cent who made their way to polling stations, with a number of the online and telephone voters in their 80s and 90s, according to a Minden Hills staff report.

Minden Hills council recently voted to use the combined method approach again for the 2018 election, the cost for which will be approximately \$63,000.

Other councils, however, seem reluctant about putting more options on the table.

Last week, Algonquin Highlands council opted to stick with its traditional vote-by-mail method, with paper ballots mailed out to township residents.

Yes, it's true that the Internet situation in Algonquin Highlands is not the best, with plenty of connectivity gaps still existent among the nooks and crannies of its rocky terrain. And yes, it's true there are some residents who do not own computers or know how to

use the Internet.

But if the township would offer the same buffet of voting options that Minden Hills does, those people could either grab their telephones to cast their votes, or take a scenic drive to a polling station.

In Dysart et al, there is some split amongst councillors on what voting options to offer. Sticking with voting by mail there will cost about \$52,000, an Internet/telephone election about \$42,000. A staff report indicated that combined methods could run an additional \$25,000.

So, worst case scenario, the election would cost about \$75,000.

But keep in mind Minden Hills, which has a similar population, is doing it for \$63,000. Keep in mind that if all the townships used the combined method, they could get a deal on the service. Keep in mind that, even for the tiny townships of Haliburton County, a difference of \$10,000 or \$15,000 is a fairly negligible

amount of money – “coffee money,” in the vernacular of former Algonquin Highlands reeve Eleanor Harrison.

Economic arguments bear little clout in this situation. How much money do councillors spend attending conferences each year?

Elections are the very foundation of democracy and townships should be making it as easy as possible for residents to vote in them. In a community where the majority of voters actually live in other communities, it just makes sense to offer an online option. In a community that is home to many seniors who don't use the Internet, it just makes sense to have a paper option.

Providing multiple voting options is about being modern, progressive and accommodating to all residents.

It's 2018. Well, it's going to be.

Hopefully no one has to write this again in the year 2022.



CHAD INGRAM
Reporter



Sunday morning on Bobcaygeon Rd. By Guenter Horst

New waders, please

MUCH HAS BEEN said of the risks inherent in early season fly fishing – mostly by me.

There are, of course, the obvious risks: hooking yourself with a big streamer, slipping on icy rocks, falling in frigid water or being badly out-fished by someone who only took up fly fishing that morning.

Most people live through these experiences, however.

It is the retrieving of waders we should be concerned about.

If you ask me, this perilous act is all the evidence required to prove fly anglers are among the bravest people on the planet. Don't believe me? Well, talk to anyone who has ever stuck their head near the gaping maw of a set of used chest waders.

The mere mention of this will cause that person to stare blankly into the abyss and possibly convulse. And it's even worse with neoprene waders, which only serve to separate the water outside the waders with the sweat forming inside.

You see, waders ripen with age – but only in the way that a dog that rolled in a dead animal ripens in the hot sun. In the first season, a good set of waders takes on an aroma of sour sweat, foot odour, armpit stench and old farts. But, in the second season, it often gets bad.

And those are the breathable ones.

This is something you don't notice when you are wearing them in the fresh spring air while standing chest deep in a creek. But it is something you definitely pick up upon when those waders are stewing in the rear seat on the drive to the river and back.

Typically, you wonder if a road-killed skunk that a coyote used as a scent marking

post got caught up in the undercarriage of your vehicle. Or whether you are following a manure truck whose product is past expiration date. Then it dawns on you that both of these things would smell good in comparison to the odour that is wafting up from the back seat.

Yes, a well-used pair of waders smells so bad that hockey bags get envious.

Personally, I believe this is why you never hear the spouse of a fly angler complain when the angler suggests building a garage or larger shed. But it does explain why they insist that it be built downwind.

Despite this, we anglers attach a certain amount of loyalty to our waders – especially if we were wearing those waders when we caught our largest trout of the season – or even scooped it up with a net when all the fish in the immediate vicinity started floating belly up.

Any angler who has had this experience will attest to that.

We will continue wearing these waders throughout the fishing season, even though we know that at one point we will get tired of explaining to everyone why our eyes are constantly watering. Worse still, there will come a point when the sourness of the waders actually attaches itself to the clothes you wore inside of them. Often this causes your spouse and others to bring up the delicate subject of adult diapers and burning perfectly good clothes.

The difference between a rookie fly angler and an old hand is simple though. A rookie will get mildly insulted and even defensive about their waders. The old hand will simply suggest that a new pair is needed.

And he or she will get approval too. After all, how many garages and sheds can a person have?



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

We are story

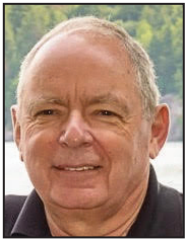
RICHARD WAGAMESE COMPLETED HIS LIFE journey last week, leaving behind the only thing any of us leave: his story. It is a brilliant, inspiring story. A homeless street kid fights alcoholism and the torments of being born Indian to become one of Canada's most important writers.

Wagamese, 61, died Friday, March 11 at his home in Kamloops where he had lived for the past 10 years. He was born at Wabaseemoong (Whitedog) First Nation near Kenora, Ont. but was taken from his parents by the Children's Aid Society and raised in foster homes.

Wabaseemoong is one of the two Ojibwe aboriginal communities ravaged by health and social ills created by mercury poisoning from a pulp and paper mill.

His parents were residential school survivors deemed incapable of looking after him. When he was a teenager he took to the streets and at age 16 stumbled into a library in St. Catharines where he developed a passion for reading and began teaching himself to write.

He returned to his reserve roots at age 24 and became a journalist, landing a spot at a native newspaper in Saskatchewan. He became a columnist for the *Calgary Herald*, winning a National Newspaper Award in 1991.



JIM POLING SR.
From *Shaman's Rock*

Wagamese began writing books, achieving wide acclaim for his two most recent novels, *Indian Horse* and *Medicine Walk*. *Indian Horse*, the story of a residential school boy who finds hope in hockey but despair in racism, is in production as a movie.

How a tormented street kid with a Grade 9 education could teach himself to write with such powerful simplicity is both mysterious and inspirational.

Here is an example taken from *Indian Horse*:

"We were hockey gypsies, heading down another gravel road every weekend, plowing into the heart of that magnificent northern landscape. We never gave a thought to being deprived as we travelled, to being shut out of the regular league system. We never gave a thought to being Indian. Different. We only thought of the game and the brotherhood that bound us together . . . We were a league of nomads, mad for the game, mad for the road, mad for ice and snow, an Arctic wind on our faces and a frozen puck on the blade of our sticks."

No big, showy words. No sledgehammer sentences designed to pound a judgment into readers' heads. Just simple words evoking powerful thought. Writing that is clean and humble. Exquisite.

Wagamese was believed to have suffered post traumatic stress disorder from his childhood, and fought alcoholism on and off throughout his life. In 2011, he pleaded guilty to three impaired driving charges, which the court was told occurred during a two-week binge. He was sentenced to house arrest and banned from driving for 10 years.

The best advice he said he ever received was from Norval Morrisseau, the Ojibwe "Picasso of the North," who told him to "work for the story's sake."

"When I work for the story's sake I leave my ego at the door and the energy of the story emerges without my interference," Wagamese once said. ". . . because me and my ego are not in the way of the story pouring outward."

For me, the best words Wagamese ever wrote were not in one of his novels. I found them on his former website some years back, wrote them down and still keep them at my desk:

"All that we are is story. From the moment we are born to the time we continue on our spirit journey, we are involved in the creation of the story of our time here. It is what we arrive with. It is all we leave behind. We are not the things we accumulate. We are not the things we deem important. We are story. All of us. What comes to matter then is the creation of the best possible story we can while we're here; you, me, us, together. When we can do that and we take the time to share those stories with each other, we get bigger inside, we see each other, we recognize our kinship – we change the world, one story at a time..."

Richard Wagamese is gone, but his story is here forever.

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Not all carbs are bad

OVER AND OVER AGAIN I hear people say they are going to cut back on the carbs they consume. I cringe every time I hear that statement. I've become a "carb" activist, if such a thing exists!

The preferred fuel source for our bodies is the carbohydrate. Now before you fill your plate with a huge serving of fettuccine alfredo let's do review of the good and the bad when it comes to carbs. In addition to pasta, bread, and those other high calorie starchy foods, carbs are also prevalent in fruits and vegetables. That takes me back to my cringe response because so many people don't realize that. Let's call a spade a shovel (an old boss of mine used to say that, and I've always loved it) – there is good food and junk food. Period.

"Garbage in garbage out" – George Fuchsel

Let's define junk food as anything that contains empty calories. Empty calories are the calories that we consume that have no nutritional value. Eating a doughnut (guilty over here) is about as beneficial to your body as putting water in the gas tank

of your car. A few years ago I did an experiment where I tracked everything I ate and how I felt within a 30 minute period of consuming it. The results were fascinating. Eating an orange didn't send me off the energy charts that I could feel, but eating a bag of potato chips or a chocolate bar

did result in a noticeable drop in my energy level. It wasn't until I was deliberately paying attention that I drew the line between the food I was eating to the afternoon energy doldrums I was experiencing.

Keeping a journal for a week or two is enlightening, and is a great way to start making changes in your eating habits if that is something that you would like to do. Or if you are interested in a cold

turkey approach follow the rule of not eating anything that contains an ingredient you cannot pronounce. As an example, check out the ingredients of an apple. That is the point!

Something to think about.

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AH sticks with voting by mail in 2018

by **ANGELICA INGRAM**
Times Staff

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So should we spend the money and have everything?

— **REEVE CAROL MOFFATT**

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Councillors in Algonquin Highlands have opted to stick with the vote-by-mail option for the 2018 municipal election.

The topic of voting methods sparked a lengthy discussion at the March 9 council meeting, where councillors weighed the pros and cons of sticking with a traditional method or embracing Internet/telephone voting.

Chief administrative officer Angie Bird costed out the two options in her staff report, saying using vote-by-mail would equate to approximately \$23,000 in total, while Internet/telephone would be about \$27,200.

Neither estimate includes costs for staffing, wages, supplies, etc. Bird did not cost out the option of having both vote-by-mail and Internet/telephone as an option.

“If council chooses to proceed with Internet/telephone voting, I would not recommend including traditional voting (ballot) on election day. Algonquin Highlands has not held a traditional ballot vote since 2000 and conducting a combination of two voting methods for the 2018 Election can not only be costly (approximately \$10,000), but requires more staff/election workers, will be labour intensive and will require two separate types of training,” wrote Bird in her report.

Algonquin Highlands has used vote-by-mail for the past four elections and does not use tabulators.

“We haven’t used paper ballots here since 2000,” said Reeve Carol Moffatt. “I wouldn’t recommend that.”

The voting issue is one that has sparked debate across the county, with Minden Hills opting to use both Internet/telephone and paper ballots, as it did in 2014.

Dysart et al councillors discussed voting methods at their Feb. 27 council meeting but deferred the decision to the end of March.

Bird said choosing the Internet/telephone option still meant there would be a voting sta-

tion at the Stanhope municipal office, however only at that location.

Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen said one of her concerns with telephone voting was that “there’s nothing to see.”

Moffatt said it was a pretty expensive decision to offer both paper and electronic voting and that she would like to see a move towards using Internet/telephone.

Councillor Brian Lynch said he wanted to make sure whatever they decided on didn’t impact voter turnout.

“So should we spend more money to have everything?” asked Moffatt.

Danielsen didn’t want to take on the cost of doing both, saying it was “so expensive.”

Councillor Lisa Barry said she was in favour of sticking with vote-by-mail, pointing to her father as an example of someone who would struggle with voting electronically.

Lynch asked what would happen in the case of a power outage if the municipality chose to use electronic voting, to which Bird said individuals would have to come in person to the municipal office to place their vote.

Councillor Marlene Kyle said she preferred vote-by-mail, as voters would have a ballot in front of them that they could see and touch.

Councillors agreed that the option of Internet/telephone could be something they look at down the road.

Buyer interested in Club 35

by **ANGELICA INGRAM**
Times Staff

A potential buyer has his eye on purchasing Club 35, however would like to see it rezoned first.

The building located on the highway is owned by the municipality of Algonquin Highlands and was formerly used as a community facility.

Council recently decided to put it up for sale.

At their March 9 meeting, councillors reviewed a zoning amendment application for the property, requesting the zoning be changed from Community Facility (CF) to Highway Commercial.

The prospective buyer would like to turn the building into a retail commercial establishment (antique shop), a restaurant and an accessory dwelling unit, according to Algonquin Highlands planner Sean O’Callaghan’s staff report.

“The applicant is proposing to rezone the subject lands to Highway Commercial (C1) with an exception limiting the permitted uses to those noted above. The minimum lot area of the Highway Commercial Zone is 0.3ha (0.74ac) where the existing parcel is 0.227ha (0.56ac). No new lots are being created as a result of this proposal however the reduced lot area will also need to be recognized as part of the zoning by-law amendment,” wrote O’Callaghan in his report.

The building was built in 1991, and measures approximately 1,900 square feet.

According to O’Callaghan, the Ministry of Transportation wanted more time to provide the municipality with their comments before approving the amendment.

“Council decided to defer the application to provide staff the opportunity to meet with MTO staff to discuss any concerns they may have related to the proposed zoning by-law amendment,” he said in an email.

Warden wants a health care solution by county

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin told attendees at the Warden's Breakfast on Tuesday, March 7 that the county should take the lead in finding health-care solutions.

Devolin's audience was comprised of chamber members and county staff last Tuesday morning at the Rhubarb Restaurant in Carnarvon.

He asked them to be part of the process to find a local resolution for health care, referring to it as the “elephant in the room.”

"I don't think that serves us very well and I think we need to start a discussion for a made-in-Haliburton County solution. Does it mean we're not going to do some things the way we exactly do them right now? You betcha, but it is necessary and this is important," he said.

The pressures are real. From 2013 to 2016, Haliburton County Emergency Medical Services reported 19.5 per cent increase in calls for service. This rate of increase is likely to continue, he said, because of the aging population in the county. He said this discussion will need to include everyone because the way health care is delivered now is not sustainable.

Devolin also welcomes discussion about the ongoing deliberation on extending the warden's tenure beyond one year and the consideration for a deputy.

As the county deliberates on the 2017 budget, he announced there will be increased investments in infrastructure such as roads, EMS and libraries.

He also told the audience about the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus.

With a representation of a million people under the direction of mayors and wardens in eastern Ontario, these small communities "punch way above our weight" for short and long terms initiatives.

As a group, the caucus has the power to garner attention from provincial and federal politicians.

Among the advantages of the caucus: ad-

vancements for our area in terms of connectivity, power and addressing issues such as reducing costs, specifically related to the rising cost of the OPP.

There is a possibility that in the next five years there will be a natural gas pipeline in the county.

“You could look forward to that. Again, if we weren’t part of a larger body like the Eastern Ontario Wardens’ Caucus there’s no way this would ever happen. I’m not saying it is a 50/50 proposition or anything I’m just saying I’m significantly optimistic and we’ll keep you posted as we go along,” he said. “That will be a huge win for the future development of our county.”

According to Statistics Canada, Devolin said, the county is growing at a greater rate than the province, particularly along the Hwy. 35 corridor. There are good and bad aspects related to this growth. Good in that there will be more money here and a greater potential for year-round employment in the county. However more people means greater pressures on municipal services. Some of them will be converting seasonal residences for year-round use. This growth, however, will not alter the way MPAC (Municipal Property Assessment Corporation) assesses properties, which is related to how the county and the municipalities receive funding. The “lion’s share” of the funding comes from that assessment so more people doesn’t mean more funding. There will be a gap, Devolin said. It means greater burdens on the municipalities and likely increase to land-based taxes.

He said the tax rates for the county are among the best in rural Ontario and this will be considered in making decisions. However costs will rise.

"The days of two and three per cent tax increases you're not going to see for a decade. I'm not saying I think they're going to jump to 10 per cent, but do I think you're going to see a lot of four, five, or six, or seven for the next decade. I would expect that to be the norm unless some funding policies, or whatever, significantly change from what we see today and what we perceive to be coming for the not too distant future," he said.



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Warden Brent
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Landfill fee decision spurs debate

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

It remains unclear what Minden Hills council will do regarding a staff recommendation to institute a flat fee for loads of waste from compactor trucks.

In February, a report from environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram suggested changing the fee for waste from compactor trucks to \$35 per cubic yard.

While the fee for a sorted cubic yard of waste has been \$25, it doubles to \$50 per cubic yard for unsorted waste – a load that is considered “contaminated.”

Under Minden Hills regulations, a “contaminated” load is one that consists of at least six per cent of recyclable material.

There have been disputes between landfill attendants and compactor drivers over whether or not loads are contaminated and the flat fee concept is being introduced, at least in part, to limit such disputes.

During a Feb. 23 public meeting on the proposed change, council heard from Brigitte Gall, the former Minden Hills councillor who now works as a consultant for Highlands Environmental, which provides landfill attendant services at Minden Hills’ landfill sites.

“We want that landfill to last as long as it can and that’s why we ask everyone to do the right thing,” Gall said, adding that the proposed change would really just benefit one company and that it seemed like ratepayers would essentially be giving that company a tax subsidy.

At a March 9 committee of the whole meeting, Ingram showed council a series of photographs of compactor truck loads to demonstrate how subjective and difficult it is to determine whether a load is comprised of six per cent or more of recyclable material.

“I’m not going to get into a bin of items and sort through it,” Ingram said, adding a compactor truck full of waste contains about 17,000 items. “It’s inclusive as to what’s recyclable in that load, in my opinion.” Ingram said he’s also contacted the Ministry of Environment about the issue.

“They feel this is an inside problem, it’s not an issue [for the ministry],” he said. “There’s nothing wrong with the way we’re operating. Could we do better? Absolutely, we could do better. Part of it is education.”

At least one member of council has a huge problem with what Ingram is suggesting.

“I am an adamant recycler,” said Councillor Jean Neville. “I think there is a major problem at the Scotch Line landfill. All that plastic is there forever. It’s not going anywhere.”

Ingram emphasized attendants do their best to keep recyclable material out of the ground.

“The attendants are constantly looking,” he said. “It’s a busy site.”

Neville responded that the township should be charging more, not less, for companies who are not ensuring their waste is properly sorted.

“We have to do some major education if the businesses are not sorting, because they should be sorting,” she said. “It’s 2017. We should be charging people more and more and more and force them to start recycling properly.”

Both Ingram and chief administrative officer/treasurer Lorrie Blanchard contended the change would not equate to subsidizing compaction companies.

“It’s very complicated, very challenging, we’re not saying that it isn’t,” Blanchard said. “What you have to look at is revenues and expenditures.”

In a complex financial breakdown, Blanchard analyzed the amount the township pays for bulldozer and chipping services at the landfill versus the fees the township charges for various types of waste.

The analysis was done based on processing 10 cubic yards of material and showed that while processing some forms of waste yields revenue for the township, processing others actually costs the township more than depositors pay to leave the waste behind.

Construction waste, not compaction loads, is the most expensive to deal with.

“In summary, it costs the township approximately \$100.03 to address 10 cubic yards of material, and \$613.28 for the same amount of construction waste,” the staff report read, indicating that sorted construction waste is basically being subsidized by \$210 per every 10 cubic yards.

“We’re actually subsidizing sorted construction waste, which is what we’re trying to point out here,” Blanchard told councillors.

She added that in cases of blatantly contaminated loads, attendants could still charge the \$50 per cubic yard fee.

“If the load comes in severely contaminated, obviously that would be an issue and they’d be charged for that,” Blanchard said.

“This is far more complicated than it looks on the surface,” said Reeve Brent Devolin, adding that with new waste legislation coming down the chute from the province, there could be some serious changes in store for the handling of waste in the near future.

With two members of council absent from the meeting, councillors decided to defer a decision on the issue until a later meeting.



Fundraiser helps YWCA

Zoe Chilco performed some original songs of female empowerment during a fundraiser for HERS (Haliburton Emergency Rural Safespace) at Fleming College on International Women's Day, March 8. Organized by volunteer Bonnie Roe, who was involved in fundraising to start the YWCA-operated shelter in the 1990s, the evening raised \$7,845 for the shelter, which closed for five months last year due to a lack of resources. CHAD INGRAM Staff

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Rhubarb Restaurant,
The Pump Shop,
WAI Products, Ltd.*



Business Achievement Award - The Pump Shop. /SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
The Pump Shop

Customer First – Business

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Nominees

*Blair Sand & Gravel, Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind,
Cottage Care Rentals & Property Management, Eco-Choice Pest Control,
Haliburton Chiropractic and Massage Therapy, Haliburton Highlands Pharmacy,
Haliburton Lumber, Haliburton Vision Care Centre, Hyland Taxi, Ideal Supply,
Jeff & Andrea Strano, Sales Representatives for RE/MAX North Country Realty Inc. Brokerage,
Maple Avenue Tap & Grill, Smolen Dentistry, Sonya's Unisex Hairstyling,
The Highlander Newspaper, TD Canada Trust Minden, V&S Department Store Haliburton,
West Guilford Shopping Centre, Wintergreen Maple Products & Pancake Barn*

And The Winner Is:
Wintergreen Maple Products & Pancake Barn

Customer First – Employee



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Bob Bullock,
Cheryl Downs,
Janice Dahms,
Kylie Clark,
Lacey Piper,
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Sharon Wells.
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Nominees

*Brandi Hewson (WAI Products Ltd.),
Linda Middleton (Crystal Image Studio),
Mike McFadden (McFadden's Meat Market),
Mike Toye (Toye Tree Removal),
Tammy Donaldson (South Algonquin Trails)*



Entrepreneur of the Year – Mike McFadden, McFadden's Meat Market. /SARAH BELL

**And The Winner Is: Mike McFadden,
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Highlander of the Year – Max Ward, right.
/SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
Max Ward

Innovation & Creativity

Sponsored by: Haliburton County Development Corp.

Nominees

Bridging Dimensions,
Cottage Care Rentals & Property Management,
Crystal Image Studio,
Haliburton Highlands Brewing,
The Haliburton Real Estate Team,
Living Libations,
Positive Media,
The Highlander Newspaper



Innovation and Creativity – The Haliburton Real Estate Team /SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
The Haliburton Real Estate Team

New Business

Sponsored by: Trophy Property Corp.

Nominees

Castle Antiques,
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Highland Dog Grooming & Training,
Highland Glass & Windows,
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New Business Award – Highland Glass and Windows
/SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
Highland Glass & Windows

Not-for-Profit of the Year

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Nominees

Algonquin Gateway Business Association,
Central Food Network, Community Living,
Haliburton County Red Wolves - Special Olympics,
Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton Highlands Nordic
Trail Association, Haliburton Refugee Sponsorship
Committee, Lakeside Church



Not-for-Profit of the Year Award recipient Community Living /SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
Community Living

Skilled Trades & Industry

Sponsored by: Minden Subaru

Nominees

Chaulk Woodworking, Donaldson Electric,
Dyson Alarm Tech Systems, Harcourt Park Marina,
Minden Electric, Minden Subaru



Skilled Trades and Industry Award - Harcourt Park Marina /SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
Harcourt Park Marina

Tourism & Hospitality

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Nominees

Bonnie View Inn,
Pine Grove Point Campground,
Tamarack Lodge Cottage Resort & Art Centre



Tourism and Hospitality Award - Bonnie View Inn /SARAH BELL

And The Winner Is:
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Alfano bids a fond farewell

DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano
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Well folks, the time has come for me to bid a fond farewell to my career as the writer of the Dorset News column. It has been an honour and a privilege to be able to write about all the activities, events and goings on in Dorset for the last 16 years. Thank you so much for your support, submissions and kind words over the years!

My very first column was on March 14, 2001 and I have kept

clippings of all my columns since the beginning. As the date approached for this last submission, I looked through the clippings and boy what a trip down memory lane it was! I always looked forward with anticipation to seeing what I submitted in print and in particular, what clever or funny headline the paper came up with to go along with my column.

Some brought back special memories such as "The baby made me do it." That week in March 2008 I started my column with an apology for missing the news the week before. We were away for a family birthday party and our return home was delayed by a storm. I missed my deadline and blamed it on "Baby Nicky." There are several "Nicks" in our family and we have different nicknames (pun intended!) to determine which "Nick" we are talking about. "Baby Nicky" was celebrating his 40th that year!

Another headline, "Screams bring attendant running" brought back memories of a Dorset ladies night in April 2011 with an Easter theme. Part of the fun was an egg toss and as the ladies got further and further apart, and eggs started breaking on the floor, the screams (of laughter) brought poor rec centre attendant Steve running to see what was wrong! It was an evening filled with fun but the headline sure sounded ominous!

I wondered what readers thought we were up to in Dorset when they saw the headline "Adult entertainment in Dorset" in April 2016. The activity I was telling readers about was the new fad of colouring books for adults and the opportunity to try it at the Dorset library branch.

Another one that had me laughing was "Foot clinic and smoothie workshops in Dorset." Somehow in my mind those two things just don't belong in the same sentence. What do you think?

I loved "Get twisted at a beading class" and "Ladies, love your potatoes" but what does "Come see how a Dorset recreation centre class fits" mean?

One headline that got results was "Belly dancing teacher wanted" and it happened! Shortly after that column and headline appeared the rec centre was contacted by a belly dancing teacher and a very successful session of classes was organized. Who knew?!

Back in 2001, I took over the column from Phyllis Briscoe who at the age of 95 was retiring from 24 years of faithfully submitting a weekly column. At that time, she offered me some advice. Phyllis said, "Just be careful not to tramp on anyone's toes" and I offer the same advice to Lee Burgess-Ross who will be continuing on with the Dorset News. I am sure Lee will do a fantastic job and wish her all the best!

My very first column started with an Irish blessing in honour of St. Patrick's Day and I would like to end this, my last column in the same way.

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again, may
God hold you in the hollow of his hand.



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Dorset columnist passes on her pen

by JENN WATT
Editor

Sixteen years ago, Melissa Alfano was tapped by then-Dorset columnist Phyllis Briscoe to take over her space in the *Minden Times*. Briscoe was in her 90s and looking to put away her typewriter, but didn't want to see the opportunity lost.

"She didn't want to retire without having somebody in place," says Alfano. "I thought I'd do it on a trial basis and here I am 16 years later."

Now it's time for Alfano to do the same.

She says the decision has been a difficult one; as the recreation programming supervisor for Algonquin Highlands, she is passionate about Dorset and getting the word out about what's happening. At the same time, she says she felt it was time for someone to take over the column.

Like Briscoe before her, Alfano found her replacement to ensure there was no break in coverage from Dorset.

Starting in next week's *Minden Times*, Lee Ross will be reporting from the hamlet in the northern reaches of Haliburton County.

Ross moved to Dorset from Hamilton when she was 19.

"I was going to stay in Hamilton, but I decided at the last second to come here," says Ross, who works at Coldwell Banker in Dorset. "I had these plans to go back to Hamilton every weekend when I moved up

here and then I got here and I never did."

Alfano, coincidentally, is also from Hamilton.

"We had a seasonal cabin that we moved into and renovated. We're still renovating it and it's been since 1993," she said.

"Things just worked out really well. I got a part-time job here at the rec centre in the evenings as a way to get out to meet people and it evolved from that. Never looked back."

The women say the small town atmosphere is part of the charm of living in Dorset. That and the celebrity sightings.

Over the 12 years she's been living up here, Ross has met an Olympic volleyball player, former premier Dalton McGuinty and – ready for it? – actor Channing Tatum.

"He came into the restaurant when it was the Fiery Grill and my friend and I were in shock," said Ross. She worked there at the time, so didn't think it'd be professional to take a photo, but the excitement of the encounter still hasn't worn off.

"That was pretty much the highlight of my life," she laughs.

Ross can sometimes be found on the outdoor rink playing hockey and stretching it out on the yoga mat.

She helps run the DorsetCanada.com website and manages the Dorset Ontario Facebook page – so, she's on top of what's happening in Dorset.

To say hello or get your event listed in her weekly column, give her a shout at burgesslt@me.com.



Melissa Alfano, left, is retiring as columnist of the Dorset News after 16 years. Lee Ross, right, is taking over from her starting in next week's *Minden Times*. JENN WATT Staff

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Finally, congratulations to all of the nominees and award recipients - thank you for everything you do for our community!

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Township grants evacuation centre request

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed during a March 9 Minden Hills committee of the whole meeting.

Minden Hills council will grant a request from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board for the Minden Hills Community Centre to be used as an emergency evacuation centre for students of Archie Stouffer Elementary School should an emergency arise.

"The fire chief noted that the township's emergency response plan in the event of a disaster would be to support the evacuation of the ASES facilities in Minden," reads a report from community services director Mark Coleman. "This is identical to the request received from HHHS in late 2015 that council approved. The community services department position is to make the arena/community hall available as community emergency priorities are determined by the township. Facility rental contracts note that in the event of the Minden Hills Community Centre being designated an emergency centre, that rentals may be cancelled and asked to vacate."

As part of the agreement, the school board would compensate the township for any lost rental income, should such a situation arise.

Councillors were supportive of the agreement, although Reeve Brent Devolin did comment that the province is more and more looking to townships "to basically backstop things that are their responsibility."

Pavement markings

The township will spend about \$9,500 on freshening up pavement markings, single-sourcing the work to to Midwestern Line-Stripping.

The work will include painting centre lines, edge lines, stop blocks, crosswalks, loading zones, parking areas, etc.

"Staff is confident in the ability of Midwestern Line-Stripping to perform their work on time and on budget," reads a report from roads superintendent Travis Wilson. "They are familiar with the area and our routine."

"Staff have budgeted for a spray durable test area (crosswalk at the CIBC)," the report reads. "Spray durable paint can last up to five years while staying visible. Staff will monitor the performance of the paint to see if it is a viable option for the township to perform on all crosswalks."

Rotary Park playground

The township will apply for a grant through the Access4All Barrier Buster Program for a new, accessible playground at Rotary Park.

The request is for \$20,000 in capital costs and \$2,000 for an awareness event.

"The current playground, swings and play surface area are in excess of 10 years of age and do not meet current safety and accessibility standards," reads a report from community services director Mark Coleman. "The play area was also affected by the flood of 2013."

The Minden Rotary Club is being invited to participate in the project.

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Sex trafficking awareness seminar in Lindsay

On Thursday, March 23, MPP Laurie Scott will be hosting a community event in Lindsay to raise awareness about the issue of human sex trafficking. The event will be taking place at the Fairview Baptist Church, 130 Colborne Street West in Lindsay, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Scott will be joined by Simone Bell, a survivor of human trafficking and advocate with VoiceFound, the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Service, and Kawartha Haliburton Victim Services.

Ontario is a major hub for human trafficking, but most people aren't aware that this heinous crime is happening right in their communities. That's why Scott in-

troduced her private members' Bill, the Saving the Girl Next Door Act, to provide better protections for victims of human trafficking and to raise awareness.

Join Scott, Bell and the presenters for an informative evening about human trafficking, and to learn how we can help tackle this issue as a community.

If you have any questions or would like to follow up, please do not hesitate to contact Scott's constituency office in Lindsay at 705-324-6654 or by e-mail at laurie.scottco@pc.ola.org.

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Haliburton County Planning Advisory Committee

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As a Committee Member you will:

- Be a Canadian citizen, 18 years of age or older;
- Be a qualified elector in the County of Haliburton pursuant to the Municipal Act;
- Be able to demonstrate compliance with all relevant municipal by-laws;
- Have a planning background by education or experience;
- Have knowledge of rural Ontario issues;
- Understand general land use planning concepts and processes;
- Have knowledge of Haliburton Official Plans and Zoning by-laws;
- Be available to attend meetings during the day; and
- Be neither a member of a municipal council nor an employee of the County of Haliburton or any local municipality.

Note: Members are appointed to serve as individuals and shall not represent a specific interest group or agency. Members shall be chosen based on their interest, experience, availability, academic qualifications and expertise that they possess. Preference will be given to the criteria above, however applicants without the above listed technical background may also be considered. The public member appointments may be renewed once, but such member shall not serve more than 2 consecutive terms of County Council unless explicitly authorized by Council due to continuity of function related to a specific issue or planning exercise.

Any person having an interest in being appointed to the Planning Advisory Committee is invited to submit an expression of interest no later than Friday April 7, 2017, at 4 pm, detailing relevant experience and skills to the attention of:

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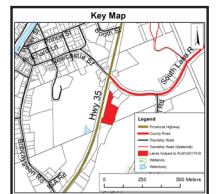
Take Notice that the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

DATE: Monday, March 27, 2017
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

To consider minor variance application **PLMV2017018**. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

PLMV2017018 - Part of Lot 1 & 2, Concession 'A', Geographic Township of Minden; being Part 2 of Plan 19R-9784; and located on Highway 35 (vacant land) (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: The applicant wishes to permit the construction of a new Fire Hall. To permit the proposed development the applicant seeks a reduced side yard setback of 7 metres whereas 10 metres is otherwise required.



Have Your Say: Input on the above noted application is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

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More information: Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at www.mindenhills.ca.

For more information about this matter contact iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2017.

Ian Clendening, MPl.

Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0

Red Hawks curlers optimistic for next season

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

The Red Hawks boys' curling team of Chris Draper, vice Dustyn McCready-DeBruin, second Josh Colicchia and lead Brian Wheeler represented the Highlands well at this year's COSSA (Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics) championships in Stirling earlier this month.

Skipped by Chris, the team entered the championships as the second seed from Kawartha.

In their first game against East Northumberland Secondary School the Hawks won, 12-2 and enabled the Hawks' rink to be set up well, as far as figuring out what strategy to employ to the rest of the competition.

"My team performed absolutely amazing. In our first game, my whole team made all their shots and gave us a huge advantage. Unfortunately as the day progressed the competition was getting higher and led us to [lose] our last two games," he wrote in an email.

Teacher coach Alexis David, who was subing in for regular teacher coach Russ Duhaime, unable to attend due to back injury, wrote in an email, "the boys played amazing."

In the team's next game against the Fenelon Falls Secondary School Falcons (FFSS), David said the team started strongly, taking one in the first and one in the second end. However by the third end, the team surrendered five points.

"They played a clean house game, hitting everything and never giving FFSS another opportunity for a big end. Unfortunately, FFSS matched our play and also hit everything, not giving us an opportunity to score. We were able to keep them to one for most of the ends, but ultimately lost 9-4," she said.

David said the team maintained their composure and went up four points after the first end in their third game against Moira

Secondary School.

"They played a clean game, holding them to one as often as possible. At the fourth end break, HHSS led 5-2. In the second half, we gave up a few ends of two, and ended up starting the eighth end down two with the hammer. Moira was successfully hitting every rock of ours, until we didn't have enough rocks left to win," she said. Moira won 8-5.

"Overall, the boys played amazing. They stuck to their strengths which was a clean house hitting game. Unfortunately, they are not advancing to OFSAA, but are extremely proud of how they played," she said.

The team's coach this season has been Ron Draper, Chris's father.

Chris said his dad has helped the team since they were all nine years old and was really helpful.

Ron and Duhaime provided a solid strategy for the team. The skip credited the pair of coaches for the team's success.

"[They] gave us game plans to further help us win our games and also gave us alternative plans in case one doesn't work. It helped us a lot."

Teacher coach Duhaime, who went with the team to the Kawartha championship, sees a bright future for this team.

"I'm really proud of these boys. They were very close to qualifying for OFSAA. Three members of the team will be back next year, so I feel like there's a ton of potential for next season," he said.

Duhaime joined the team this season and Chris hopes the coach returns.

With Chris going into Grade 12, McCready-DeBruin going into Grade 11 and Wheeler heading into Grade 12, the team is expecting bigger things next year even with the departure of Colicchia, who is graduating this year to attend college. Grade 9 Jacob Dobson is expected to join next season's Hawks team. He will either be the second or the lead added the skip.

Despite finishing the season at COSSA, Chris said his "team was phenomenal. I'm almost more than positive that next year is our year to win OFSAA and GORE provincials. What I'll remember from this experience is how competitive and tough the game is as you progress from Kawartha. My team will take our mistakes at COSSA and move forward to future events next season."

With files by Alexis David

Legion taken over by kings and queens of TLDSB

There were more than 100 chess players who competed at the TLDSB Chess Championship at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton Legion on Wednesday, March 8. After many hard-fought matches in this regional completion, the top three in each grade are listed below. The winner of each division qualified for the provincial finals to be held in Toronto in April.

*Denotes provincial second qualifier in division fields, totaling more than 10 players.
(Listed in finishing order)

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Austin Bain SBES
Maxime Little SBES
Isaac Borgdorff SBES

Grade 3
Graham Backus
Ty Rupnow*
Rilynn Bain (all SBES)

Grade 4
Isaac Lee JDHES
Elana Bruce Langton*
Violet Crete JDHES

see page 19

INSPECTION

Inspection of Approved 2017–2018 Annual Work Schedule Algonquin Park Forest

The **Algonquin Park Office** of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)** has reviewed and approved the Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Algonquin Park Forest**.

Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the AFA offices in Huntsville and Pembroke and the MNRF public website at ontario.ca/forestplans beginning **March 15, 2017** and throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres at 400 Pembroke Street East in Pembroke, 447 McKeown Avenue in North Bay and 207 Main Street West in Huntsville provide access to the Internet.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year. Beyond Park access points, all forest access roads are closed to the general public.

Tree Planting and Fuelwood

The AFA is responsible for tree planting on the Algonquin Park Forest. Please contact the Area Forester, AFA Pembroke Office (see address below) for information regarding tree planting job opportunities or for obtaining fuelwood.

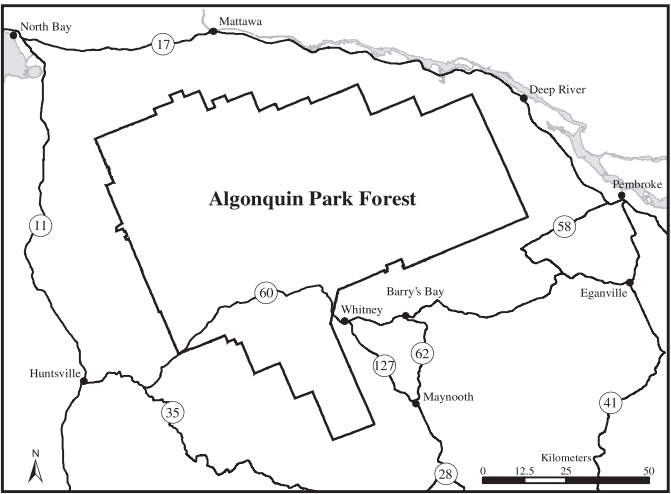
More Information

For more information on the AWS or to arrange an appointment with MNRF staff to discuss the AWS or to request an AWS operations summary map, please contact:

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Red Wolves provincial champs

Top left, Red Wolves Special Olympics coach Dave McKay presents athlete Sarah Hudson with the most improved player award at the Minden Curling Club on March 11 during the Red Wolves end of season curling bonspiel. The annual event has taken place over the past seven years and this year included 12 athletes and 25 club members.

Above, The Red Wolves Special Olympics team were the provincial champions this year, given a special honour at the Minden Curling Club on March 11. From left, coach Dave McKay, Brent Leffering (lead), Trevor Brauer (alternate), Skylar Pratt (second), Dave Piercey (assistant coach), Dawn Piercey (skip) and Emily Boccitto (vice).

Left, There was lots of action at the Minden Curling Club on March 11 during the Red Wolves Special Olympics Team end of season curling bonspiel. The Red Wolves curl every Monday night at the club, with ice time donated by the curling organization. Described as a “day of fun,” the bonspiel is a way for the team to give back to the curling club. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff



Youth curling league celebrates successful year

The Minden Curling Club Youth League celebrated their final results. The wooden curling club trophy is over 100 years old and was donated to the league by the Gillespies. The top three teams from the league results win gold, silver and bronze medals. This year the gold medals went to Crystal Petry, Georgia Code, Broden Boisvert and Hailey Switzer. The silver medals went to Holly Parish (absent), Linc Aleksander, Nathan Belleveuille (absent) and Olivia Humphries. The bronze medals went to Kaelem Little, Cole Hamilton, Sophia MacPhee and Ava Code. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful year of learning to curl. During the last bonspiel

of the season one of our first year curlers, Broden Boisvert put all three of his shots into the rings including a button shot! Thank you to Dave McKay for heading this program up and dedicating 20 years to the program. Jane and Scotty Boyd for their 16 years of dedication to the program. Peter Alexander said I couldn't print how long he has volunteered. Peter is setting a great example as his grandson James Alexander was a coach this year as well. Thanks also to Stuart for helping.

Submitted by Lynda Litwin

from page 18

Grade 5

Logan McMillan Langton
Cooper Coles JDHES
Cameron Lebel Langton

Grade 6

Quin Lang
Emmett Loignon
Morgan West (all Leslie Frost)

Grade 7

Jack Bruce
Connor Baxter*
Lori Cui (all Langton)

Grade 8

Logan Hellstrom ASES
Brandon Farrow ASES
Andrew Holodryzuk Central Senior

Submitted by organizer Blake Paton, J. Douglas Hodgson
Elementary School teacher.



Bowling Scores

Wednesday, March 1

- 1. Casey Heley 212 personal best
- 2. Jason Cochrane 200
- 3. Skylar Pratt 183
- 4. Jeffrey Coulson 166
- 5. Buddy Plouffe 165
- 6. Russell Whetstone 155

Monday, March 6

- Men**
High average Claude Cote 212
High single Marty Schuster 334
High single handicap Marty Schuster 375

- High triple Claude Cote 610
High triple handicap Ken Thompson 675
Ladies
High average Chris Cote
High single Chris Cote 220
High single handicap Chris cote 251
High triple Chris Cote 251
High triple handicap Chris Cote 703

Tuesday March. 7

- Men**
High Average Claude Cote 206
High Single Claude Cote 273

- High Single H/C Claude Cote 288
High Triple Claude Cote 639
High Triple H/C Claude Cote 684
Women
High Average Chris Cote 194
High Single Chris Cote 276
High Single H/C Johanna Hayward 305
High Triple Chris Cote 632
High Triple H/C Chris Cote 707

Friday March. 10

- Men**
High average Claude Cote 199

- High single Jim Griffith 239
High single handicap Jim Griffith 283
High triple Jim Griffith 671
High triple handicap Jim Giffith 803
Ladies
High average Chris Cote 189
High single Chris Cote 228
High single handicap Pat Hunt 268
High triple Chris Cote 650
High triple handicap Chris Cote 737

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MINOR HOCKEY

Atoms keep Coyotes at bay

On Saturday, March 11, the Cottage Country Building Supplies/Ridgewood Ford Highland Storm atom travelled to OPS to face the Kawartha Coyotes in an exhibition game.

The first period both teams were fighting hard but Aiden Perrott sunk one back door off of a rebound by Avery Degeer.

However, the Coyotes scored and the period ended tied 1-1.

The second period started with Aiden Perrott scoring his second goal of the game after receiving a pass from Avery Degeer and Logan Tripp scored a beauty goal from the blue line after receiving a pass from Kadin Card who won the face off.

But with only a minute left the Coyotes scored and the score was 3-2 going into the third.

The third period was the most eventful. Addison Carr scored the first goal on a break-away. The Coyotes scored right after.

Then Addison Carr scored again after a pass from Kadin Card and Aiden Perrott scored his hat trick game after a pass from Avery Degeer.

However a minute after, the Coyotes put two in the net and it was 6-5.

There was seven minutes left the Storm had to hold the Coyotes off or score another goal and they held them off and the final score was 6-5.

The next game for the atoms is in Baltimore,

Ont., for the Cross Border Clash Tournament on March 24- 26.

Submitted by Amber Card

Tykes show great stamina in tournament

The tykes played in the Bernie Nichols Spring Tournament on March 11 to 12. Facing off at 8 a.m., the tykes came out with a tie.

Their second game was a struggle and they couldn't come out on top.

Their third and final game for the day they pulled out a strong win. Back in action for the B finals on Sunday the whole team played their best!

Each player used their skating, stick handling and passing abilities throughout the whole game.

Tying it up in the third period the tykes went into a three-on-three three-minute overtime. Neither team scored causing five more overtime periods to occur.

Exhaustion started to take over, but each player still tried their best!

The team ended up losing in the ninth period, but everyone couldn't have been more proud of each and every player. Hudson Horsley played tremendously and kept up to each team the tykes played against.

What an amazing weekend! Way to go, Storm.

Submitted by Tamara Bain

Events

Spring Is the Sweetest Time of the Year at the Haliburton Highlands Museum!

March 11th - 19th from 10am-5pm

Special Kids' Programs:

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Victorian Games Afternoon

Tuesday, March 14th 1-3pm

The kind of games kids in Haliburton would have over 100 years ago – no batteries required!

Meet and Greet with the Horses of South Algonquin Trails, Wednesday, March 15th 1-3pm

The horses of South Algonquin Trails are coming west to Glebe Park on a March Break holiday! This is a great opportunity for kids and adults alike to learn more about these sweet and majestic creatures!

Life of a Leprechaun Friday, March 17th, 1-3pm

Scavenger hunts, games, crafts and legends from the Emerald Isle!

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Cupcake Day

Minden Animal Hospital's Cupcake Day brought in hundreds of dollars in support of the Ontario SPCA. Homemade cupcakes were sold for \$1 on Feb. 27 at the Minden clinic.

Left, staff come together to raise money for the OSPCA.

Below, OSPCA investigations officer Luke holds a cupcake with Dr. Jennifer Morrow, owner of the practice, on Cupcake Day.

They sold out of cupcakes and made \$398.



UPCOMING Community Events

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days: Reptile Road Show

When: Saturday, March 18, 10 am start time until noon (arrive before 10 please for registration)

This is of our most popular events of the year! The knowledgeable folks from Scales Nature Park will bring their highly acclaimed outreach program to Haliburton once again, with a selection of interesting snakes and turtles for us to see, touch, and learn about.

Tickets must be purchased before the event either online at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca or in person at our office at 739 Mountain St. Haliburton.

Cost: General Admission, \$15 per adult, \$10 Per child, Family Pass (up to 2 adults and 2 children) \$30

Location: Haliburton Outdoors Association Fish Hatchery, 6712 Gelert Rd. Haliburton

Lino Block Printing Creative Interlude with Darby Bayly

Where: Visible Voices Open Arts Studio

Sunday, March 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Suggested Donation: \$15 (or pay what you can)

Design, carve, and print your own lino block. It's kind of like a rubber stamp!

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Haliburton Blood Donor Clinic

When: Monday, March 27th

1:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Where: Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain St.

To book your appointment please visit www.blood.ca

100 Women who care spring meeting

When: Wednesday, March 29, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Where: The Dominion Hotel Dining Room, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden

We are 100 Women who care -we meet for 1 hour, 3 times a year. We raise money for local charities in our county. At our first meeting we raised over \$3,000 for Food for Kids. If you are a woman who care - come to our meeting and see how we do it. It's awesome!

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days: Sounds of the Night: Owl Prowl!

When: Saturday, April 8, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Who goes "hoo" in the night? Join Haliburton naturalist Pauline Plooard and listen in the dark for owls calling. Dress warmly, including your footwear, and bring a headlamp or flashlight. Our leader will be Pauline Plooard. Admission by donation.

Location: Meet at Zion United Church, 1021 East Rd. Carnarvon at 8 p.m. where carpools will be arranged and directions provided.

Cost: Admission by donation

Doc(k) Day

When: Saturday, April 8

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

Those Other Movies presents the sixth annual Doc(k) Day documentary film festival. Starts at 10 a.m. with Dysart 150:

The Movie, followed by Obit, Cameraperson, What Lies Below and In Pursuit of Peace. For more information contact Lisa Kerr kerrfamily@cottagelcountry.net.

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Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

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When: Saturday, May 6, 10:00 am- 12:00 noon

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Leader: Carolyn Langdon, Windfall Food Forest, forager and food forester.

Cost: \$5.00 per person, includes soup (payment may be made online or in person on the day of the event)



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 44(1) of the Planning Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands may by By-law constitute and appoint a Committee of Adjustment.

The proposed By-Law amendment will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the **Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Road on the 23rd day of March 2017**. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed By-law must contact the CAO/Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: March 16th, 2017

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: CERILLI

Lot 3, Concession 3, Kushog Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of Lot 3, Concession 3 and part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 3, Concession 3, Kushog Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of Lot 3, Concession 3 and part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 3, Concession 3, Kushog Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of Lot 3, Concession 3, designated as road allowance on Crown Land Survey attached to Inst. No. H22113, geographic Township of Stanhope, described as Part 2 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9969.

SECONDLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 3, Concession 3, described as Part 3 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9969.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Road, **on the 23rd day of March, 2017** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: March 16th 2017

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Science Fair *Inside*

Ridgewood Public School students spent part of last week discovering the wonders of science.

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Basketball

A group of youths played their final basketball games of the year after five months of teaching by Clyde Russell.

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Committee recommends budget hike of \$600,000

by Andy Holloway

The Haliburton County board of education could come in with a zero per cent budget increase, however the quality of its school programs would have to be cut say trustees.

The management committee voted to recommend a 3.8 per cent (or \$600,000) budget increase to the board last Tuesday. The increase adds about \$23 on a Dysart tax bill of \$1,200 said business administrator Jim Bradley. However, the increase is only for the board's expenditures and does not include the expected decrease in revenues from the province. That shortfall will be made up by taxpayers, resulting in a much higher tax bill increase.

The budget also assumes that teachers will accept a zero per cent salary increase for the 1993. Any increase in teacher's salaries would also have to be made up by taxpayers.

The big increase for the budget occurred because of a 2.7 per cent boost in teacher's salaries for the second half of 1993. About \$360,000 of the increase goes towards teacher and educational assistant's salaries and benefits. The board will also have to pay out \$90,000 in retirement gratuities as three teachers are planning to retire.

The other major expenditure is an extra \$75,000 earmarked for computers, part of a program to bring students up to the level of other students in the province.

Trustees were also presented with a plan detailing how the board could come in with a zero per cent increase. To achieve that would require a reduction in staff levels of 12 teachers, 50 per cent of educational assistants and abandonment of the \$100,000 computer initiative.

"To cut \$600,000 you can see there would have to be major policy and program changes. You are going to affect

(more on page 2)



Stick 'em up

Eight-year-old Logan Caputo stole the show during the Minden Curling Club's Straw and Stone bonspiel last weekend. Logan was the youngest player in this recreational spiel which features costumed curlers. Herb Roodenburg's rink captured top honours in this 'spiel. Rounding out the winning rink were Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, Bill Roodenburg and Carol Puffer.

Timber...

New event set for Minden promotes logs not dogs

by Russ Duhaime

June 12 will be a "red suspender" day in Minden.

Another major event is being conceived and this time it's not dogs but logs that will dominate Minden's Main Street.

The concept of a timbersport competition has been proposed by Stuart Brandon and embraced by the BIA and Minden Council.

Brandon, one of the key organizers of the tremendously popular Minden Sled Dog Derby, dropped the idea on the BIA last Monday where it was met with great enthusiasm. The BIA has committed \$1,500 and the municipality has promised an additional \$1,000.

With this support, the log is rolling. However, Brandon says the event is still in need of a few dedicated volunteers to organize and raise funds.

Brandon says the competition holds tremendous potential to become another huge event in Minden. With healthy sponsorship, he said it will easily be as popular as the sled dog derby.

Minden Councillor Jean Anthon presented the idea to council on Thursday. It's a way of rejuvenating the town at the outset of the summer, she said.

The theme is perfect for this area, Anthon said Thursday. The sport is based on logging, which is the industry that initially opened Haliburton County. She suggested that all the townspeople could come out that day wearing red suspenders — the trademark wear for competitors.

Brandon said he came up with the idea after watching a demonstration at last year's Haliburton County Fair. "I watched it and thought 'this is criminal'." He said the demonstration was shuffled off to a corner of the fair grounds and few people even knew it was going on. He said he was immediately impressed with the potential of this sport as a new event for Minden.

Brandon approached his fellow or-

(more on page 2)

Minden set to celebrate country style

Minden will be celebrating Canada Day in country and western style.

John Mattson and Rick Lowes have teamed up to bring some of the top names from the Canadian country and western scene to Minden for a day-long concert at the fair grounds.

The two Minden residents attended a council meeting Thursday to explain their plans and ask permission to use the fairgrounds for the concert.

Mattson is the owner of Mattson's Country Club on Highway 35. He told council he expects the concert to draw a crowd of about 5,000. He said he has commitments from 15 major bands, from which he will be choosing the ones to perform. The concert will be staged as a family day, said Mattson. Calling it a Canada Day party, he said it's a good way of promoting Canadian talent.

Council passed a resolution to allow

the concert take place on the fairgrounds, provided it is not already booked.

In addition to the fairgrounds, the organizers asked for the use of the arena to situate the St. Johns ambulance personnel. The arena, however, is already booked for the Highlands Artisans Festival. As an alternative, council suggested that the curling club or the agricultural building might be available.

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If you are interested in joining the HHHS team for any of the above positions, or would like more information on the opportunities, please contact:

Human Resources
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www.hhhs.ca

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